

Rodeo Meeting Postponed.

It will now be held on
1st August in St Marys hall

Parish Midwinter Dinner

St Mary's Parish is going to hold a parish midwinter dinner at Café Woodworks on Saturday 28th July at 6pm. The cost will be \$55 for main course and dessert, preceded by a starter of a variety of breads. Dietary needs can be catered for. Payment will be collected on the night. Café Woodworks is licensed and has a range of wines and beers for sale. BYO is also available for wine with a corkage charge of \$5 a bottle.

This year we are suggesting that people form tables of ten, and book as a table. We are encouraging you to bring along your friends and relations, young and old, of all faiths and none. If you are not sure that you will be able to organise a whole table, please speak to David Webster or the office, and will put smaller groups together to make up a full table.

Please inform David Webster or the office, by Monday 23rd July so that we can give the café final numbers. David's email is d.webster45@bigpond.com

30 - July "The Future of the Church in Australia"

The ACU Faculty of Theology and Philosophy is delighted to announce the next short course in theology, "Listening to the Spirit: Towards the 2020 Plenary Council".

This course will explore the future of the Church in Australia. In week four a listening and dialogue session will be hosted by the Rev Dr. Anthony Percy, Vicar-General, Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn.

The course will start at 6.00pm with refreshments on 30 July, 6, 13 and 20 August 2018 at ACU Canberra Campus, 223 Antill Street, Watson. More information about this short course may be found on: www.acu.edu.au/short-courses-canberra

Registration via the website is essential, and will close on Friday 27 July.

8 - September "Consultation for Women of the Archdiocese"

From 10.00am to 3.00pm at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton. Women are invited to share their story of faith with other women. It will be an occasion for women to name their reality, concerns and dreams for the Church in a safe and supportive environment. It will be an opportunity for women to shape a response to the listening sessions for the 2020 Plenary Council.

Register your interest: Jacinta (02) 62019861 or catholic.women@cg.org.au

St Mary's Hall Bookings

Hall bookings can be made by emailing bungendore@cg.org.au

Current regular bookings for the hall are Monday 5:30—8pm, Wednesday 5:30—8pm (except last Wednesday of month), Friday 9am—10:15am, and the Seniors from 10am to 2pm on Tuesdays.

St Mary's Bungendore part of Queanbeyan Mission 28 Turallo Terrace Bungendore

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd July 2018

Entrance Antiphon: *See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.*

First reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

Second reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Communion Antiphon: *The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.*

Bungendore Parish General Information

Fr Peter Day Associate Priest Bungendore / Braidwood (resident in Queanbeyan)

Deacon Chris van Gessel (2nd & 4th Sundays)

Secretary - Mary; Finance - Maureen;

Weekend Mass: Sunday 8.30am

Weekday Mass: Wednesdays 9.00am; (Anointing Mass - 1st Wednesdays)

Hoskinstown: 1st Sunday 11am **Gundaroo:** 3rd Sunday 9am

Confessions: Father Peter is available for confessions 1st / 3rd Sundays 8 –8:15am or another mutually convenient time.

Baptisms: Usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:00 am. Please speak to the parish office if this is not a suitable time for your family.

Phone: 6238 1247 **Email:** bungendore@cg.org.au

Website: www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/

Office Open: - Wednesday 11am - 5pm Office is on east side of Hall.

Reflection

Today's Gospel gives us a beautiful image of Jesus, his heart moved with compassion for the people because they were lost and distressed, like sheep without a shepherd. This theme is echoed in the Responsorial Psalm in which we are reminded that we do have a shepherd, and it is God himself. Since this is such a favourite psalm let us pause to look at it more closely. 'The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want'. How good it is to reflect on this truth. Do I really believe that? Can I find the heart to trust in the truth expressed in these words? The psalmist experienced hunger, thirst and darkness in his life. He knew what it was like not to know how to take the next step, or where to go. Yet he did not forget to thank God for the moments of repose when he experienced the green pastures and the springs of fresh water that revived his drooping spirit. In the dark, when he could see nothing, he listened for the shepherd's voice and the comforting prod of the staff that warned him when he was lagging behind or straying from the right path. The truth of the psalm is demonstrated by Jesus, the Good Shepherd. 'I, I am he who comforts you' (Isaiah 51:12), says the Lord. In the second part of the psalm the imagery changes. Now he is a refugee, hunted from his home with nowhere to go. And God opens the flaps of his tent and welcomes him and shares his banquet with him. In the Gospel we see Jesus eating and drinking with sinners like us, and here at Mass we are being welcomed to share a meal with Jesus and with each other. When the time comes to leave this meal we are assured that God will send his Goodness and his Kindness as escorts to walk with us, moment by moment guiding and inspiring us, and always holding us in his love. 'Surely goodness and kindness will follow me all the days of my life'. Let us note, however, what it is that Jesus, the shepherd, does when he is moved with compassion. We are told that 'he set himself to teach them at some length'. When we look back on the mistakes we have made, we sometimes think 'If only I had listened. If only I had known. If only I had realised.' Jesus judged that the main reason for the people being so lost and distressed was that they did not know. They did not know of God's love for them, and they did not know how to respond to God's love and live their lives in a meaningful way. So 'he set himself to teach them at some length'. So it is that schooling divorced from the gospel cannot guide our children through life. It is this same conviction that is behind the insistence today of the need for adult education in the faith. We belong to a wonderfully wise tradition, because Jesus, through the Magisterium of the Church, continues to teach us at some length.

Fr Michael Fallon msc at the website <http://www.mbfallon.com/>

Church Opening hours:

St Mary's is open most days from around 9am to around 5pm for prayer and quiet reflection. Please keep the sliding glass door shut.



Please pray for our sick: Michael Curran (John's Dad) Judy Nicolau, Hazel Costello, Emanuel Mallia, Zelma McManus (Mary-Anne Curran's Mum), David McCamley, Mary-Anne Webster, Frank Shugg, Theresa, Simon, James & Mary (Deacon John's mum, brothers & sister), Peter Fogarty, Margaret Mikkelsen, Donn Oates, (Barbara Rayner's Dad), Erwin Feeken, Tony Boys, Maureen Boss

Recently Deceased: Ishabel Richards (Helen Montesin's Mum), Chris Johnson, Kevin Pippard, Mick Gallagher

Anniversaries: John Nash, Elizabeth Griffin, Anne Byrne, Ronald Thompson, Marjorie James, William Flanagan, Maria Sant

Plaques for Memorial Wall

We are now taking orders for plaques for the memorial wall. Please contact the office for more details.

The following format will be the one used.



Sick List Names

Except for people whom the office knows to have chronic conditions, we will be taking names off the sick list three months after they were first added. Please check with people, before requesting that their names be added to the list.

Ministries Roster

Sunday 22nd July 2018 8:30 am

A: Bernadette Boss

E.M: Tess Montesin Pauline Segeri

R: David Bishop Gavin Whiteley

Gifts: Alison & David Bishop

Servers: Gilbert A

Sunday 29th July 2018 8:30 am

A: David Webster

E.M: Anna Melek Tess Montesin

R: Sarah Dunkerley Bernie Clarke

Gifts: Rob Warner & family

Servers: Thomas K

Church Cleaning : July:- Gennie Cramsie Kaye Moore

Thanks to all who helped with cleaning the church in June.

Next Ministries Roster

Revised version of the roster for July, August, September is now available, and has been emailed to participants.

Plenary Council 2020 – Listen to what the Spirit is saying.

There are some reports from the listening sessions on the Archdiocesan website. It is also possible to make submissions to the Plenary Council via their website:-

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>.